

The Anita City Council met on January 13, 2010, at 7:30 p.m., at City Hall to hold a public hearing regarding the City of Anita's plan to file an application for Federal Assistance for the purchase of a new pumper/grass unit with the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Grant program with the regular scheduled meeting following. Mayor Mitch Holmes presided and all council members were present. Also present were Gene Andrews, Kenny Harrison, and Jim Mailander.

Mayor Holmes called the public hearing to order. No written or oral comments regarding the plan to file an application for assistance were heard from the public. Mayor Holmes closed the public hearing at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Holmes called the regular meeting to order. The minutes of the previous regularly scheduled council meeting were read and approved on motion by Firebaugh and seconded by Hockenberry, ayes: all. The minutes of the special council meeting held December 30, 2009 were read and approved on motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Zimmerman, ayes: all. The remaining items on the consent agenda were approved on motion by Firebaugh and seconded by Hockenberry, ayes:

Resolution 10-01 introduced by Zimmerman and seconded by Firebaugh approving the appointment of the following officers for calendar year 2010:

City Clerk/Treasurer-Lindsay Jahde
City Attorney-Jim Mailander
Public Health Officer-Licensed care providers contracted and practicing with the Atlantic Medical Center at the office located in Anita, Iowa.
Police Chief-John Larsen
Fire Chief-Duane Murphy
Zoning Administrator-Jim Dory
Street Superintendent-David Winther
Wastewater Superintendent-Tabled-pending certification

Roll call vote approving Resolution 10-01 was recorded as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Hockenberry-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	

Discussion was held regarding the sale of city owned property with nuisance abatement requirements. Mayor Holmes will inquire about a possible buyer.

Resolution 10-02 introduced by Hockenberry and seconded by Firebaugh appointing Dennis Zimmerman to the Cass County Landfill Board. Roll call vote as follows:

Hockenberry-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye

Resolution 10-03 introduced by Zimmerman and seconded by Firebaugh appointing Duane Murphy as Fire Chief. Roll call vote as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Herzberg-Aye
Firebaugh-Aye	Hockenberry-Aye

Resolution 10-04 introduced by Hockenberry and seconded by Murphy appointing the following standing committees:

City Hall-Linda Firebaugh and Marcia Hockenberry
Streets-Duane Murphy and Jamie Herzberg
Police-Mitch Holmes and Dennis Zimmerman

Roll Call vote approving Resolution 10-04 was recorded as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye
Hockenberry-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	

Resolution 10-05 introduced by Firebaugh and seconded by Hockenberry appointing The Anita Tribune and The Atlantic News Telegraph as the official newspapers. Roll call vote recorded as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye
Hockenberry-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	

Resolution 10-06 introduced by Firebaugh and seconded by Herzberg appointing First National Bank and Rolling Hills Bank & Trust with the maximum deposit in any one account at \$500,000.00. Roll call vote recorded as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye
Hockenberry-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	

Resolution 10-07 adopting council meeting policy and procedures and agenda format was tabled until the February meeting.

Resolution 10-08 approving the transfer of funds in the amount of \$15,730.00 from the Urban Renewal Housing Fund to Debt Service Fund for FY09/10 was introduced by Murphy and seconded by Hockenberry. Roll call vote recorded as follows:

Zimmerman-Aye	Firebaugh-Aye
Hockenberry-Aye	Murphy-Aye
Herzberg-Aye	

Discussion under streets included the mention of discounts of 40% offered by Wayne Manufacturing for Christmas decorations.

Discussion regarding the need for a comprehensive plan and a capital improvement plan for the City of Anita was held. It was the consensus of the council to begin looking at the plan after the FY10/11 budget is approved.

Additional discussion included nuisance abatement procedures, truck parking, and the burn pile location.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Firebaugh to adjourn. Ayes: All.

Mayor, Mitch Holmes

Attest:

Lindsay Jahde, City Clerk